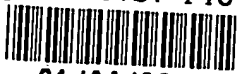


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FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing for a

☒ continuation    ☐ divisional    ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP)

application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/271,882  
assigned filed on July 7, 1994, which will issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,017,696 on  
January 25, 2000, by

**Michael J. HELLER; Eugene TU; Glen A. EVANS; and Ronald G. SOSNOWSKI,**  
entitled:

**METHODS FOR ELECTRONIC STRINGENCY CONTROL FOR MOLECULAR  
BIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS AND DIAGNOSTICS**

For CONTINUATION or DIVISION APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from  
which an oath or declaration is supplied, referenced above, is considered a part of the disclosure of the  
accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The  
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# I. APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED

103 Page(s) of Written Description  
16 Page(s) of Claims  
1 Page(s) of Abstract  
20 Sheet(s) of Drawings ☒ formal ☐ informal  
2 Page(s) of ☐ Declaration or ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Copy from prior application [37 CFR §1.63(d)]  
☐ Newly executed  
x Other: Return Postcard

- ☒ Assignment papers (cover sheet and documents(s))  
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449, ☐ with copies of cited items.  
☐ A Verified Statement to establish small entity under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27: ☐  
 Is attached. ☐ Has been filed in the prior application and such status is still  
 proper and desired. [37 CFR § 1.28(a)]

## II. FEE CALCULATION

<b>BASIC FILING FEE:</b>						\$690.00
Total Claims	10	-	20	=	0	x \$18.00 \$0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	x \$78.00 \$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	\$260	(if applicable)				<input type="checkbox"/> \$0.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b>						\$690.00
Reduction by ½ for Filing by Small Entity. Note 37 CFR §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28. If applicable, Verified Statement must be attached.						<input type="checkbox"/> \$0.00
Misc. Filing Fees (Recordation of Assignment)						\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE HERewith</b>						\$690.00

## III. PRIORITY - 35 USC § 119

- ☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in Country is claimed under 35 USC § 119.  
☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ The certified copy will follow.

IV. AMENDMENTS

- ☒ Cancel in this application original Claims 1-81 and 92-94 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes if no new claims are added in a preliminary amendment.)
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by Amendment must be numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

V. RELATE BACK - 35 USC § 120

- ☐ Relate back information included in preliminary amendment or specification.
- ☒ Please amend the specification as follows:

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This application is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/271,882, filed 7, 1994, entitled "Methods For Electronic Stringency Control For Molecular Biological Analysis And Diagnostics (As Amended)," issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,017,696 on January 25, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 07/146,504, filed 1, 1993, entitled "Active Programmable Electronic Devices for Molecular Biological Analysis and Diagnostics," now U.S. Patent No. 5,605,662.

- ☒ With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are) [37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)]:
- ☒ the same.
- ☐ less than those named in the prior application and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted [see 37 CFR §§1.33(b) AND 1.63(d)(2)]:

[Name(s) of inventor(s) to be deleted]

VI. FEE PAYMENT BEING MADE AT THIS TIME

- ☐ Not attached. No filing fee is submitted. [This and the surcharge required by 37 CFR § 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.]
- ☒ Attached.

- ☒ Filing fees. \$690
- ☐ Recording assignment. **(\$40.00** 37 CFR § 1.21(h)(1)) —
- ☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached.  
[**\$130.00**; 37 CFR §§ 1.47 and 1.17(h)]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Petition fee to Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently.) | — |
|                          | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.103 and 1.17(i)]   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language.   | — |
|                          | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.52(d) and 1.17(k)]   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Processing and retention fee.   | — |
|                          | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.53(f) and 1.21(l)]   |   |

Total Fees Enclosed \$690

**VII. METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES**

- ☐ Attached is a check in the amount of \_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Charge Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. **12-2475** in the amount of \$690.00.

**VIII. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. **12-2475** for any over payment of fees and to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. **12-2475**:

- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.16 (Filing fees and excess claims fees)
- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.17 (Application processing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.18 (Issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.311(b))
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.21 (Assignment recordation fees)

**IX. POWER OF ATTORNEY & CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

- ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- ☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on \_\_\_\_ in prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A new power has been executed and is attached.

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**X. MAINTENANCE OF CO-PENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION**

- ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending **prior** application until \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of the petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.
- ☐ A conditional petition for extension of time is being filed in the pending **prior** application. A copy of the conditional petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.

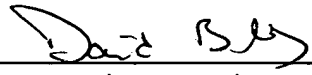
**XI. ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION**

- ☐ Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application co-pending with said prior application. At the same time, please add the words "now abandoned" to the amendment of the specification set forth in Item V above.

Respectfully submitted,

LYON & LYON LLP

Dated: January 23, 2000

By:   
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Enclosures

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